

Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 BONN 18733 171413Z

50

ACTION EUR-12

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 EURE-00 SSO-00 NSCE-00 INRE-00 USIE-00

CIAE-00 PM-04 INR-07 L-03 ACDA-05 NSAE-00 PA-01 SS-15

PRS-01 SP-02 TRSE-00 SAJ-01 NSC-05 DODE-00 OIC-02

AS-01 /060 W

----- 044005

O R 171400Z NOV 75

FM AMEMBASSY BONN

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 4424

INFO USMISSION NATO BRUSSELS IMMEDIATE

USMISSION USBERLIN

AMEMBASSY LONDON

AMEMBASSY MOSCOW

AMEMBASSY PARIS

C O N F I D E N T I A L BONN 18733

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR NATO WB

SUBJECT: NATO MINISTERIAL: QUADRIpartite MEETING AND
COMMUNIQUE LANGUAGE ON GERMANY AND BERLIN

REFS: (A) STATE 271460; (B) USNATO 6155;
(C) STATE 268202; (D) BONN 18332

1. WE ANTICIPATE NO DIFFICULTY IN OBTAINING BONN GROUP
AGREEMENT TO DEPARTMENT'S PROPOSAL (REF A) THAT FOUR
POWERS GIVE REST OF NATO ADVANCE INFORMATION ON PROPOSED
TREATMENT OF BERLIN AND GERMANY IN MINISTERIAL
COMMUNIQUE. WE EXPECT, HOWEVER, THAT PREFERENCE WILL
BE FOR GIVING NATO THE AD REF TEXT, NOT JUST A
SYNOPSIS.

2. AT NOVEMBER 13 BONN GROUP MEETING, BOTH FRENCH AND
FRG REPS OBJECTED TO US PROPOSAL (REF C) THAT COMMUNIQUE
LANGUAGE NOT BE SHARED WITH REST OF NATO UNTIL AFTER
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 BONN 18733 171413Z

REVIEW AT SENIOR LEVEL MEETING. BOISSIEU (FRANCE)

POINTED OUT THAT BERLIN DRAFT HAD IN THE PAST BEEN TRANSMITTED TO NATO BEFORE APPROVAL BY THE FOUR MINISTERS. THIS YEAR, THERE WERE THE ADDED FACTORS THAT SOME NATO PERMREPS HAD EXPRESSLY ASKED TO BE SHOWN THE BERLIN PASSAGE IN ADVANCE AND THAT FOUR POWERS WERE RECOMMENDING THAT REFERENCE TO BERLIN BE WORKED INTO THE PASSAGE ON CSCE ELSEWHERE IN THE COMMUNIQUE. BOTH HE AND LUECKING (FRG) EXPRESSED UNDERSTANDING FOR DEPARTMENT'S RATIONALE BUT DISAGREED WITH IT. LUECKING THOUGHT APPROVAL OF COMMUNIQUE LANGUAGE SHOULD NOT BE CITED IN AN ATTEMPT TO GIVE SUBSTANCE TO THE SENIOR LEVEL MEETING OR THE QUADRIPARTITE MINISTERIAL MEETING.

3. BOTH LUECKING AND HITCH (UK) AGREED WITH BOISSIEU'S SUGGESTION THAT THE COMMUNIQUE LANGUAGE SHOULD BE TRANSMITTED TO NATO POLADS, ONCE IT HAD BEEN APPROVED BY CAPITALS, BUT WITH THE CAVEAT THAT THE FOUR MINISTERS RESERVED THE RIGHT TO MAKE LAST MINUTE CHANGES. US REP AGREED TO REPORT THIS SUGGESTION TO DEPARTMENT . ONCE AGREEMENT OF ALL FOUR CAPITALS TO THE AD REF TEXT IN REF (D) HAD BEEN RECEIVED. (WASHINGTON, PARIS AND BONN HAVE APPROVED, BUT UK REP IS STILL AWAITING INSTRUCTIONS.)

4. WE WILL REPORT DEPARTMENT'S REF (A) PROPOSAL AT NOVEMBER 18 BONN GROUP MEETING. WE WOULD, HOWEVER, EXPECT OTHER REPS TO POINT OUT THAT AD REF TEXT IS ALREADY ESSENTIALLY A SHORTHAND REFERENCE TO THE GERMANY AND BERLIN ISSUES OF MOST CURRENT INTEREST, AND THAT ABOUT THE MOST THE FOUR NATO MISSIONS COULD DO WOULD BE TO PREPARE A PARAPHRASE RATHER THAN A SYNOPSIS. WOULD DEPARTMENT BE WILLING TO AGREE TO PROVIDE THE AD REF TEXT WITH THE CAVEAT THAT IT IS STILL SUBJECT TO FINAL FOUR POWER REVIEW, IF THE OTHER THREE REPS SHOULD INDICATE STRONG PREFERENCE FOR THAT PROCEDURE?

5. IN ADDITION, WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE BACKGROUND ON REFERENCE TO "RIGHT OF FOUR POWERS TO HAVE FINAL SAY ON THE TEXT" (PARA 2, REF A). NOVEMBER 13 DISCUSSION REFLECTED APPARENTLY ERRONEOUS VIEWPOINT OF MOST REPS
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 03 BONN 18733 171413Z

THAT IT WAS NOT UNREASONABLE FOR OTHER NATO ALLIES TO HAVE A SAY, IF THEY WISHED, IN THE COMMUNIQUE LANGUAGE ON GERMANY AND BERLIN.

6. ACTION REQUESTED: WOULD APPRECIATE GUIDANCE ON QUESTIONS IN PARAS FOUR AND FIVE ABOVE, IF POSSIBLE BY OPENING OF BUSINESS NOVEMBER 18.
HILLENBRAND

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: MEETING AGENDA, MINISTERIAL MEETINGS, PLANNING MEETINGS, BERLIN QUADRIpartite MATTERS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 17 NOV 1975
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: ElyME
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1975BONN18733
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D750399-0853
From: BONN
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1975/newtext/t19751138/aaaabhii.tel
Line Count: 115
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION EUR
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 3
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: 75 STATE 271460, 75 NATO BRUSSELS 6155
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: ElyME
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 28 APR 2003
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <28 APR 2003 by BoyleJA>; APPROVED <22 OCT 2003 by ElyME>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
06 JUL 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: NATO MINISTERIAL: QUADRIpartite MEETING AND COMMUNIQUE LANGUAGE ON GERMANY AND BERLIN
TAGS: PFOR, WB, US, FR, UK, GE, NATO, NAC, DPC
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 06 JUL 2006